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APPLICANTS

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FOR

SELF-ADHESIVE WOUND DRESSINGS WITH ADHESIVE

WOUND MANAGEMENT REGION

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Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 5-10 as follows:

--5. The wound dressing of claim 1, wherein the carrier film comprises polyurethane, polyethylene, polypropylene, polyamide or polyester.--

- --6. The wound dressing of claim 1, wherein the carrier film is between 60 and 80 μm in thickness.--
- --7. The wound dressing of claim 1, wherein the adhesive layer comprises polyacrylate or rubber.--
- --8. The dressing of claim 1, wherein the adhesive layer is between 35 and 50 μm in thickness in the edge region in particular.--
- --9. The wound dressing of claim 1, covered over its entire width with an adhesive rejecting carrier material, such as siliconized paper, until use.--
- --10. The wound dressing of claim 1, wherein the polyurethane matrix contains one or more active substances.--

REMARKS

Claims 5-10 have been amended to remove their multiple dependency, making them dependent on claim 1.

An early examination on the merits is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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MARK-UP SHOWING THE CHANGES MADE IN THE CLAIMS TO YIELD THE CLAIMS AS AMENDED ABOVE

- --5. The wound dressing of [any of claims 1 to 4] <u>claim 1</u>, wherein the carrier film comprises polyurethane, polyethylene, polypropylene, polyamide or polyester.--
- --6. The wound dressing of [any of claims 1 to 5] claim 1, wherein the carrier film is between 60 and 80 μ m in thickness.--
- --7. The wound dressing of [any of claims 1 to 6] <u>claim 1</u>, wherein the adhesive layer comprises polyacrylate or rubber.--
- --8. The dressing of [any of claims 1 to 6] <u>claim 1</u>, wherein the adhesive layer is between 35 and 50 μm in thickness in the edge region in particular.--
- --9. The wound dressing of [at least one preceding claim] <u>claim 1</u>, covered over its entire width with an adhesive rejecting carrier material, such as siliconized paper, until use.--
- --10. The wound dressing of [at least one preceding claim] <u>claim 1</u>, wherein the polyurethane matrix contains one or more active substances.--